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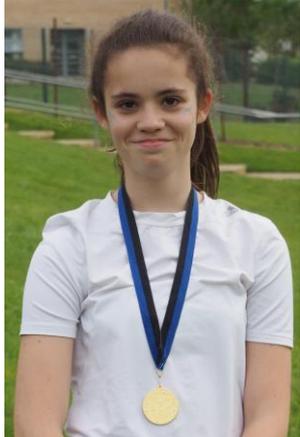
Firrhill's Sports Day

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Sports Day on 14 June was organised in three zones: the "Tough Mudder"; the "Energy Zone", which comprised various "potted" sports events, face painting, sponge throwing and sumo wrestling; and the "Athletics and Fun Races", which included all of our traditional competitive events plus some fun events, such as the egg-and-spoon race and the three-legged race.



Thanks to the staff and Miss Carmichael, CL Health and Well-being who arranged the school sports day.





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Sports Day, continued



This was the school's first opportunity to run a competition including all four houses. Caerketton finished as Firrhill's first ever "Sports Day House Champions".





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S2 Berlin Trip

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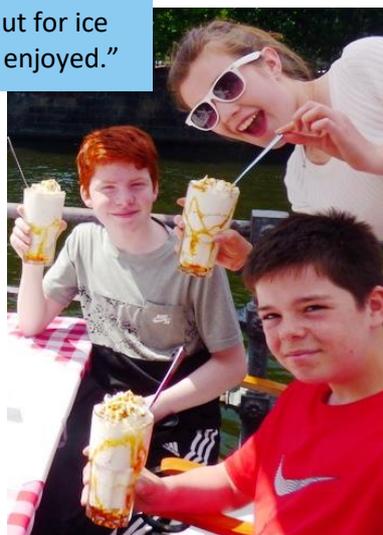
On 8 May 40 S2 pupils and five teachers visited Berlin. They flew from Glasgow airport and stayed at the Acama Hotel and Hostel. Famous landmarks visited included: the Brandenburg Gate, the Reichstag, the Olympic stadium, the Checkpoint Charlie Museum, the Rausch chocolate shop, the Sachsenhausen concentration camp, the Alexi Shopping Centre, the TV Tower and the Berlin Cathedral. On the final day of the trip there was a football match, an evening quiz and an award ceremony before returning home after this amazing week away.



“Many of us purchased small pieces of the Berlin Wall in the gift shop as a memento”.



“The teachers took us out for ice cream, which everyone enjoyed.”



“I would recommend that those learning German go on the S2 Berlin trip, as it taught me so much about the history of Berlin and it was a great experience to try speaking some German. I also have great memories and got to know lots of people I had never spoken to before the trip. ‘Thank you’ to the teachers, for making this unforgettable experience possible.”
Eilidh Miller S3.



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S1 Paris Trip by Zara Smith 2B1

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On Monday 8 May 2017, 40 S1 pupils and five teachers visited Paris and stayed in a youth hostel in the centre of Paris, which was very nice and more like a hotel. We visited the Montparnasse Tower, which gives a 360° view of Paris, the Catacombs, Montmartre and the Sacré Coeur, which is a big cathedral on top of a hill. We had to climb up a lot of stairs to get to the top, but it was worth it because the view was breath-taking and the cathedral was beautiful. We also visited the Eiffel Tower and went on a lovely cruise down the River Seine.

At the Stade de France we had a very memorable tour and learnt a few facts about the stadium - we even got to walk out through the tunnel and onto the pitch.



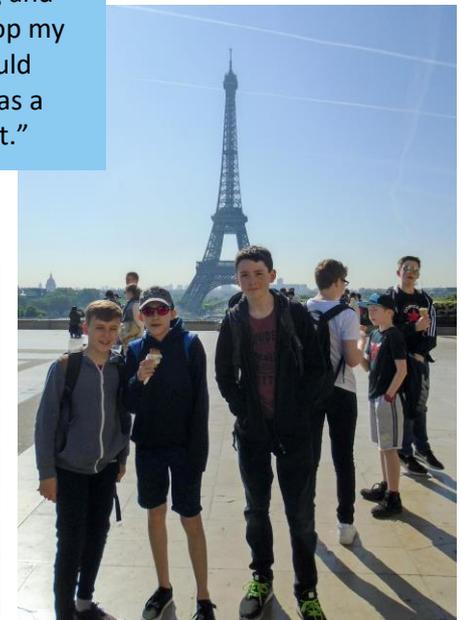
Thursday was Disney day, and the day we had all been looking forward to! We visited the Magic Kingdom and the Walt Disney Studios. We all went on so many roller coasters and rides, and we all had an unforgettable day.



On Friday we all took a trip to Notre Dame Cathedral and climbed up the tower. The tower had 400 stairs and was 69 metres high and gave you a phenomenal view of Paris.



"The Paris trip was amazing and definitely helped me develop my French speaking skills. I would recommend the trip as it was a week that I will never forget."





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Creativity Event

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On 13 June Firrhill held a Creativity Evening. Stage performances featured: Big Band, Soul Orchestra, "fashion show extracts", Firrhill Youth Theatre and Highland & Contemporary Dance Groups.



Well done to all the pupils and staff, who worked hard to produce this Creativity Event.



In the foyer Displays: Smoothie bike Media films Textiles Fashion Creative writing Modern Languages work Art folio work Performances: String Group.



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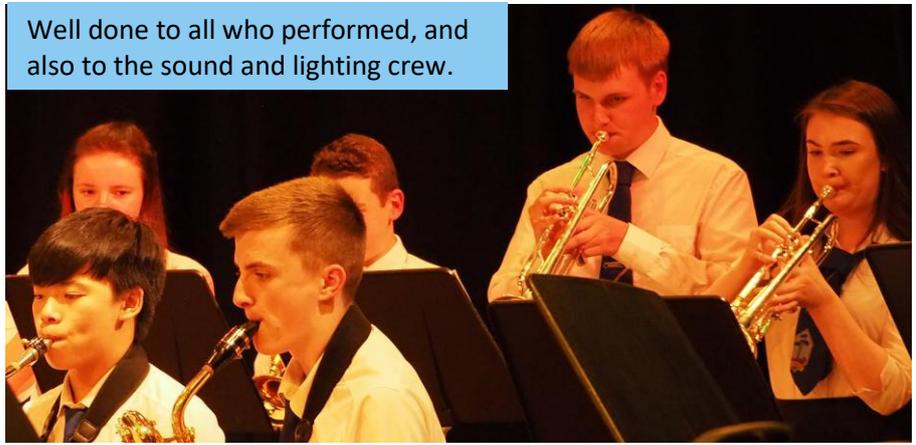
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Creativity Event, continued



Well done to all who performed, and also to the sound and lighting crew.





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Edinburgh Secondary Schools' Rock Ensemble

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On 19 June the Edinburgh Secondary Schools' Rock Ensemble – which includes Firrhill pupil Rosa Tabu – performed in a special assembly which featured pupils from across Edinburgh. Thanks to the Edinburgh Secondary Schools' Rock Ensemble and to Firrhill's Brass Musicians.

Well done – a great assembly!





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Transition Cycle Ride

Remember when cycling to always wear a cycle helmet and high visibility clothing.

On 14 June some P7 Bonaly Primary pupils enjoyed a transition cycle ride, organised by Lorna Norman, Active Schools Coordinator. The ride incorporated travelling to Firrhill High School from Bonaly Primary School and returning via Colinton Dell. This journey encourages pupils to consider cycling to high school and also to enjoy leisure bike rides.



Well done everyone! Special thanks to all the parent helpers, without whom this transition cycle ride would not have been possible!

